New drivers - New uniforms! These three sophomores of Appomattox County High School, Patsy Hughes, Patty Clements and Pam Lawson are applying for learners' permits to L. E. Nash (left) and George Cheatham (right) who are wearing new uniforms of examiners of the Dept. of Motor Vehicles. The students plan to enroll for driver's training and then practice and study for the big day they take the wheel as fully licensed drivers.

New Uniform Greets Applicants For Va. Licenses

Virginians taking driver examinations are now being greeted by a DMV Field Services Representative in a civilian-type uniform. These men and women were formerly called "Examiners" and were police-type uniforms. Commissioner Vern L. Hill said the change in uniforms was made primarily to put license applicants at ease and reduce anxiety. The new uniform consists of a light blue shirt, blue blazer and dark blue trousers or skirt. No badges will be included. Only the DMV emblem patch on the shirt and blazer will be worn. A red and blue striped tie will be worn by the men.

The new uniform will cost 25% less than the police type-uniform. First, there will be no hat and leather hardware used. Secondly, the police - type uniform had to be tailored to each Examiner, while the civilian-type uniform can be bought in standard off-the-rack sizes. No new uniforms have been purchased in recent years, in anticipation of this changeover. Most existing uniforms have become unserviceable.

The change in title was made in order to emphazie that these men and women are being cross-trained to handle a wide variety of public -contact activities for DMV.

According to Commissioner Hill, 162 Field Services Representatives serve at 126 locations in Virginia. He said the new uniforms would help them get away from the law enforcement image, since their primary activity is testing applicants. He emphasized that these are not State Police officers. They are unarmed and are not charge with responsibility for law enforcement. State and local police undergo special training for their law enforcement role.

P-TA Council Changes Date Of Meeting To 18th

The meeting of the Appomattox County Council of P-TA's has been changed from April 4 to Tuesday, April 18, due to the extended Easter vacation. The meeting will be held at Appomattox Intermediate School at 7:30 p.m.

The county superintendent, principals, P-TA presidents and delegates from each local P-TA of the four county schools are supposed to attend.

SHERWILL 4-H CLUB

The monthly meeting of the Sherwill 4-H club met at Sylvia Carson's house, Glen Giles led the meeting. James Hancock led the pledges and Sylvia presented the devotions. At the meeting the club discussed the possibility of a fund raising activity to aid in rending Miss Layton Evans an IFEY from Campbell county to Venezuela this summer. Weather so gave a few demonstrations for practice. Sylvia assisted by her mother served refreshments.

Keri Robinson, Reporter

FFA SPEAKERS COMPETE AT NARUNA

The 45th Annual Southside Area Future Farmers of America Public Speaking Contest was held in the William Campbell High School, Wednesday, afternoon, March 29.

Winners of six federation contests participated. Each contestant made an eight-minute talk on an agricultural subject and responded to questions on his topic by the judges. The winner will represent Southside Area in the state finals at Virginia Tech in June.

J. D. Puckett, agricultural education instructor in the William Campbell High School was in charge of local arrangements. Judges were the teachers of the second place contestants in the six federations of the fifteen county area.

The Amherst, Appomattox, Campbell Federation was represented by Jimmy Trent, William Campbell High School.

Mr. Fred Lynn, member of the Piano Technicians Guild checks and tunes every piano before it is sold.

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The former rate was 8¢ for the first two ounces and 2¢ for each additional ounce. The new rate is 8¢ for the first two ounces and 3¢ for the next ounce, 3¢ for the next, 2¢ for the next, etc. For full 16 ounces this will increase the cost from 36¢ to 45¢.

One of the main users of the mail to be affected by the rate increase is the third class bulk user. The cost of bulk mail has gone up from the former 4¢ per piece to 5¢ per piece. The per pound rate for bulk mailers has increased to 28¢ per pound, from the former 23¢.

Postal rates for qualified nonprofit organizations remain unchanged. There are four in Appomattox County, according to Postmaster H. W. Conner.

Banker Attends 3-Day Seminar

LYNCHBURG, VA. March 23, 1972 --Charles O. Meiburg, Director of the Bureau of Population and Economic Research and Professor in the Graduate School of business administration at the University of Virginia, was the guest speaker for the concluding session of Fidelity National Bank's annual Management Seminar. The seminar, which was held Tuesday through Thursday at Howard Johnson's on Route 29 North, also featured sessions with Dr. Carol Stern, head of the Economics Department at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and Wyndell Purser of Honeywell Information Systems in Atlanta Georgia. In conjunction with the seminar, Mr. Meiburg spoke at the offices of Fidelity at a 7:45 a.m. meeting on Thursday.

Attending the seminar from Fidelity were: Mrs. Faye M. Hesson, Caroll P. Freeman, Richard L. Crafton, William A. Smith, Jr., Floyd L. [illegible] Larry R. Ward, [illegible] Crump, Paul E. [illegible] Vincent Sawyer, Jr., [illegible] Sebrell, Dennis L. [illegible] Earl A. Ware, [illegible] Bond, J. David [illegible] Louis E. Shaner.

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State Farm Bureau President Here For Annual Meeting

Speaker for the annual Farm Bureau membership dinner, held Saturday evening was Robert Delano (center), state president, Va. Farm Bureau. County president is Earl Pickett of Pamplin (far right) with Mrs. Bertha Jones (Harold B.) of Spout Spring (far left), treasurer.

State Farm Bureau president Robert Delano, of Warsaw, Virginia was honored guest and speaker at the annual membership meeting of the Appomattox County Farm Bureau held Saturday evening in the cafeteria Appomattox County High School.

County president Earl Pickett presided.

State president Delano, serving his 10th year as president told the members and guests that the Farm Bureau in Virginia serves 25,600 family members and that Farm Bureau is celebrating the 52nd year since reorganization as a federated organization.

He spoke of many Farm Bureau accomplishments, "We try to scrutinize legislation," he said, "and if legislation is not right, we try to get it changed." This applies both to the Va. General Assembly and the U. S. Congress, he said.

Delano spoke of Farm Bureau effect on recent supermarket advertising and said that he felt the Bureau was influential in stopping the ads urging people "not to buy red meat." He added that livestock sales and promotion through the Bureau involves 35 Virginia counties and that the tire and battery sales program is increasing yearly and since its beginning in 1965 has become a $2 million program.

Delano asked for and received audience questions and answers about the benefits of Farm Bureau membership.

Others on the program included a treasurer's report from Mrs. Bertha Jones (H.B.)

Insurance advisor, Herbert Goodman, expressed appreciation for the volume of insurance service in the county and told the group that the county Bureau "receives direct benefit from insurance premiums."

County president Earl Pickett said that the group, through representation in Richmond and during General Assembly deliberations, "had quite a bit of success" with the agriculture budget as a whole and parti-

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Lions To Hear Travis Poole

"Property Appraisal" will be the topic for Lions of Appomattox on Thursday, April 13 Guest speaker will be Travis Poole, Program Leader, Agriculture, for the East Central District, VPI-SU Extension Service.

Lions will meet at the Parkway Restaurant at 6:45 p.m.

Registration Deadline for Robert E. Lee Academy

Final registration for the 1972-1973 school session at Robert E. Lee Academy, will be held each afternoon this week from 3-6 p.m. and on Saturday April 15, from 9:00 A.M. to 5 P.M. All parents interested in Quality Education for their children are urged to register during this time.

Democrats Name Delegates To Convention

Appomattox county Democrats have elected eleven delegates to the Virginia State Democratic Convention to be held in Roanoke on June 9th and 10th.

Four alternates were also named at the Saturday morning mass meeting held at the Court House.

Elected delegates include Watkins M. Abbitt , Claudia Gordon, Beverly Lou Davidson, Mrs. Earl Robinson, R.Q.Lawing, Harry T. Ferguson, Jr., Watkins M.Abbitt, Jr.; Harry G. Lawson, James Eugene Richardson, John D. Simpson and W. S. Kerr.

Alternates are R. F. Williams, Jr.; Mrs. Bena E. House, Lewis E. Mann and Mrs. Aldah B. Gordon.

Presiding at Saturday's meeting was the Honorable W. M. Abbitt, 4th District Congressional Representative and county chairman, Democratic committee.

District V Rescue Squads Meet Here

District 5 of the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads held a dinner meeting in Appomattox Saturday evening, April 8.

A record crowd for a district meeting was on hand at the Appomattox County Primary School. Guest speaker was F. A. Gould, superintendent of Appomattox Court House National Historical Park.

He spoke about the 100th anniversary of the founding of the National Park system with the signing of a proclamation by Gen. U. S. Grant, then president of the U. S., a proclamation signed in 1872. He also showed slides of Yellowstone National Park, the first national park to be established and other sides of Appomattox Court House National Historical Park and other National Parks in Virginia including the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Petersburg, etc.

Th Rocks Quartet provided music for the evening.

Colonel James Hardy of Virginia State Civilian Defense showed films on major disasters. William E. (Billy) Kidd, District 5 vice president, presided during the meeting. Pete Doss, Captain of the Appomattox Squad was in charge of the local program. Ray Noble, president of the Appomattox Squad was in charge of dinner arrangements.

Honored guests at the dinner included Representative Watkins Abbitt, L. E. (Buddy) Phillips, state president of VAVRS and Mrs. Phillips; John H. Matthews, state secretary of VAVRS and Mrs. Matthews; Kenneth Morgan, 3rd District vice president and Mrs. Morgan, J. B. Taliaferro, editor of the Va. Association of Rescue Squads bulletin and members of the Concord Rescue Squad.

Gretna Rescue Squad won the Call of the Month trophy, Amherst Life Saving Crew won the Attendance trophy.

Twenty-one Squads make up the 5th district organization.

TOURIST REVENUE SCORES GAIN

RICHMOND –Tourist revenue and travelers to Virginia scored impressive gains last year, according to a report just released by the Virginia State Travel Service.

Forty-six million travelers who visited or passed through Virginia in 1971 spent an estimated $1,500,000,000. These were an estimated two million more travelers in 1971 than during the previous year.

For 1971, tourist dollars in Virginia were up $55,000,000 from the estimated $860,000,000 spent the previous year. Also, an estimated $80,000,000 were paid in Virginia state taxes by all travelers last year – up $13,800,000 from 1970.

The number of person - nights spent in the Commonwealth by travelers was 38 million – up 2 million from 1970.

These sets of figures were prepared for the State Travel Service by Dr. Lewis Copeland, a University of Tennessee statistician who uses a specialized formula for determining tourism revenue. Dr. Copeland's estimates, which are also compiled for ten other southern states, are attained through a computation of census figures, sales tax revenues and traffic counts.

In addition to these gains, total inquiries at Virginia state travel offices and stations last year showed a 38 per cent increase; telephone, mail and walk-in visitation was 819,366, compared to 593,807 in 1970.

"Based on these figures and other economic indicators, tourism made an impact of more than $1 billion on the state's economy last year", said Marshall E. Murdaugh, Commissioner, Virginia State Travel Service. "We are very pleased with the results; particulary in view of the fact that 1971 was a year of continuing inflation – a condition that traditionally has an adverse effect on the average family's travel budget".

Appomattox Will Receive $692,000 For Secondary Roads In Fiscal 1972-73

Appomattox County's share of the nearly $11 million budget for Lynchburg District's secondary roads in fiscal 1972-73 is $692,000, an increase of $119,-826 over last year.

For the state as a whole the State Highway Department will use $25 million for construction and maintenance of Virginia's 43,000 miles of secondary roads.

Budget for the three-county Lynchburg district, Amherst, Appomattox and Campbell is $10,898,058 over the present fiscal year allocation of $8,-991,942.

Altogether the total Virginia secondary roads budget for the new fiscal year is up approximately 20 per cent over the $80 million apportioned to the system for the current fiscal year, chiefly because of the additional funds to be provided by the motor fuel tax increase approved by the General Assembly.

Thomas R. Glass, Lynchburg Highway District Commissioner, said that the almost $2,000,-000 increase in district secondary funds is some of the first evidence of what the additional 2 cents increase in gasoline tax will mean to this area.

Total secondary road funds are distributed among the counties by a formula that takes into account such factors as land areas, population, road mileage, vehicle miles of travel and road need.

Appomattox County will receive $426,301 in four-factor funds; $84,662 in matched FAS or equivalent funds; $181,137 in Acts of 1964, 1966 and 1972 funds for a total of $692,000.

In recent years, the statewide average for the secondary system has been approximately 28 per cent of total highway funds, exclusive of federal insterstate aid.

The department said the average will be continued under the new 1972-82 road improvement program for which the assembly provided additional revenue. The program and 2-cents -a-gallon increase in the gas tax will become effective July 1.

Rabies Clinic April 13th

The Appomattox County Health Department announces there will be a dog rabies vaccination clinic held on April 13, 1972, from :2 p.m., to 4 p. m. Appomattox, Virginia. The fee for this clinic will be $2.00 per dog. at the Fire House in Appomattox.

Agenda Given For Supervisors' Meeting Friday

The Appomattox County board of supervisors will meet on Friday morning at the clerk's office at 9 a.m. The agenda includes laying the levy. Warren Taylor, county forester, will present bids for timber sales. J. A. Smith, extension agent, will give a summary of the recently completed Rat Control program. Earl J. Smith, school superintendent, will meet with the board. Rev. Deryl Holliday, representing the Appomattox County P-TA Council, will also address the board.

Spring Art Show Set For April 23 - 28

The sixth Annual Spring Art Show sponsored by the Central Virginia Chapter of the Virginia Chapter of the Virginia Museum, will be held April 22 through April 28 in Farmville.

Mr. Nancy Outdoor Arts and Crafts Show and Sale will be held Saturday, April 22 on the Prince Edward Court House Grounds.

Artists may reserve display space by mailing applications before April 8. Entries may include paintings, drawings, sculp-

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School Funds Will Increase For Appomattox In '72-'73

Highway Fund Gets $118,000 Locally

NEW YORK – For Appomattox County's car owners, how expensive a proposition has the nation's controversial 42,500 - mile Interstate Highway System become?

How much are they paying to the Federal government, through gasoline taxes and other automobile taxes, toward the cost of construction?

On the basis of the latest figures, their contribution in the past came to approximately $118,000.

This is exclusive of the auto use taxes collected from them by the local governments.

The average Appomattox county driver, traveling 10,000 miles a year and getting 14 miles to the gallon, is paying some $30 annually into the Highway Trust Fund. Those who cover 15,000 miles pay $45. Most of it comes from the four-cents-per-gallon tax on gas.

The money collected in the fund finances 90 percent of the road construction costs. The other 10 percent comes from the states.

A battle is now brewing in Congress and elsewhere over the use of this trust fund, which brings in over $5 billion a year and has a current surplus of about $3.6 billion.

Should this money continue to be used solely for road building, as it has been since 1956, or should part of it be used for what critics believe to be more immediate needs, such as mass transit?

The powerful group of truckers, automobile manufacturers, bus lines and others, the so-called "highway lobby," has steadily opposed attempts to divert any of the revenue for airport construction, rail transportation and the like.

However, many groups across the country are now attacking this stand. They contend that highway construction is being over-emphasized at a time when other needs are being neglected.

The Interstate Highway System, begun 16 years ago at an estimated cost of $41 billion, will cost approximately $75 billion before it is finished, in 1978.

Because it has six years more to go, Appomattox County car owners will be putting an additional $707,000 into the trust fund before they are through, based upon the 3,930 cars in operation locally.

Up $64,462 Over -'71-'72

Appomattox County can expect to receive about $64,000 more in state school funds in the next school year, than in the present school year.

Figures released by the State Department of Education show that Appomattox County will receive $644,619 in the next school year, up $64,462 over the present year's state allocation, $580,157.

The Department said local school districts – except in a few cases – will get more state funds than before despite the $32 million cut the General Assembly made in Governor Linwood Holton's public education budget request for the next two fiscal years.

But the State Department of Education is advising local school superintendents that estimates of state school funds they could expect will have to be revised downward.

New estimates, taking into account the budget cut, are that the total state contribution to local school systems will be about 10 per cent under earlier estimates.

Appomattox county school superintendent Earl Smith says that the amount of state funds is based at with a rather complicated formula.

The increase in "true value" of county property from $54 million in 1968 to $74 million in 1972 means that Appomattox county's share for the coming year is considerably less than it would have been if the "true value" yardstick were the same as in years before. True values of land within a county are arrived at by comparing real estate sales and assessments in this county with those of other counties, that is, the selling price per acre, and comparisons are based on a year's sales activity.

The amount of state funds is based on a school population of 2,353 pupils.

Jaycees Sponsor 'Meet Your Legislators'

The Appomattox Jaycees are having a "Meet Your Virginia Legislators Night" May 3, 1972, at 7:30 p.m. at the Appomattox Court House. The public is invited and urged to attend. The Honorable Howard P. Anderson, State Senator representing this area, and the Honorable Claude W. Anderson, member of the House of Delegates representing Appomattox and other counties, will be present and will each make a brief summary of their impressions of the General Assembly session just recently concluded in Richmond and the meeting will be open for questions by anyone present.

The Jaycees feel it is highly important that the people of this area not only know their representatives but hear first hand their impressions of the past General Assembly, as well as the duties and responsibilities of the members of the General Assembly. The Jaycees urge all people interested in good government to attend this important meeting.

Newspaper Copy Is 143 Yrs. Old

One of the oldest pieces of paper in Appomattox county belongs to Hunt Hamilton. The paper is a page from the "Christian Advocate and Journal and Zion's Herald --- Miscellanous and Instructive."

In the newspaper, published sometime in the fall of 1829 there are obituaries including the account of a sailor age 23, lost at sea and of Indian fighters and Revolutionary soldiers who had passed away.

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Named Service Unit Chairman

Mrs. Harry Alderson (Elizabeth) has been named Service Unit chairman, Appomattox County Girl Scouts.

Mrs. Alderson has had wide experience in Scouting work and other volunteer services, according to Mrs. Eunice Paulette, field director, District II, Va. Skyline Council, who made the announcement of the appointment.

Mrs. Alderson was a Brownie Scout troop leader in South Boston prior to moving here with her husband and two daughters. She also has a 100 hour service pin from the Halifax County Hospital Auxiliary which she served as treasurer. Another of her interests is the Red. Cross Bloodmobile which she has helped as a volunteer during many visits to the South Boston area.

Both of the Alderson daughters are enrolled in Scouting. Eleven year old Cynthia Lee is a second year Junior Scout, Troop 336 with Mrs. Dorothy Wooten, troop leader. Eight year old Sandra Dee is a member of Mrs. Nancy Elder's Brownie Troop 833.

As Service Unit chairman Mrs. Alderson will help with the coordination of all Girl Scout activities throughout the county.

ATTEND DISTRICT UDC MEETING

Mrs. Louise Plunkett, Va. Division Registrar; Mrs. Rachel F. Lawson and Mrs. Lena Eversole, spent Friday and Saturday at Luray, Virginia at the 5th District meeting, Va. Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Clock Given To McLean House

The George Mitchell clock on the mantlepiece of the McLean master bedroom (above) is a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Nance (left and center) of Bon Air, Va. given Sunday, April 9 to the National Park Service and accepted by park superintendent F. A. Gould (right). Mr. Nance purchased the McLean House clock in the 1950's, has been offered a considerable sum for it many times, but decided to "do what I really want to do" and that is to return the clock to the McLean bedroom where it was on the day of surrender, April 9, 1865. Supt. Gould presented the Nances with a certificate-receipt and a replica of stacked arms in cast metal as a memento. The Nances presented the Park with a signed verification of the authenticity of the clock, and Mr. Nance, who is a contractor and clock repairman, says he plans to put the clock in operating condition in the near future.